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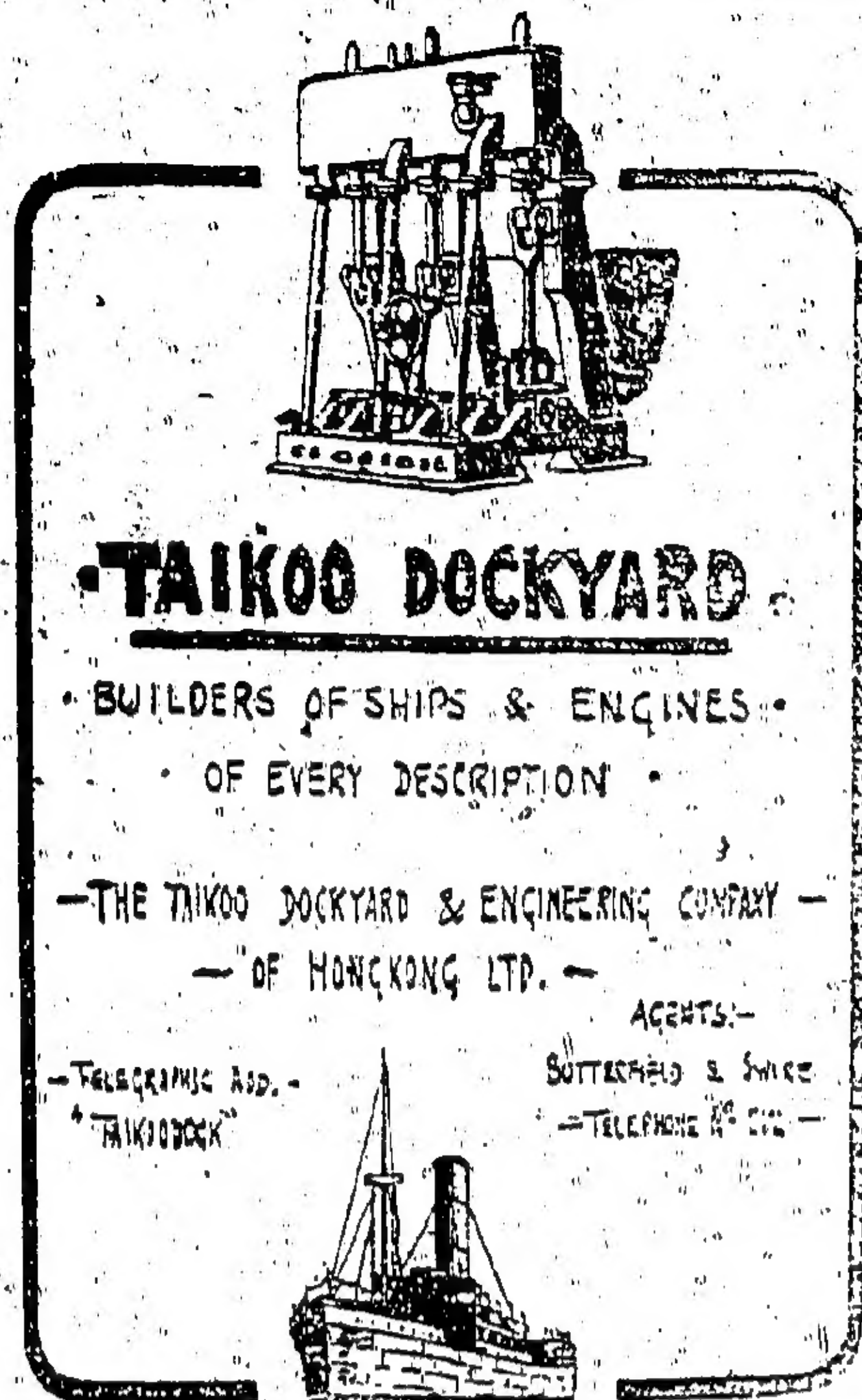
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GREAT FRENCH OFFENSIVE.

BITTER FIGHT IN PROGRESS.

London, April 16.
Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters reports that the great
French offensive has begun.

BRITISH ENTHUSIASM OVER THE
NEWS.

Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters reports:—

The news that the great French
offensive started this morning has
run through our army like wildfire
and has evoked the greatest enthusiasm.

FRENCH COMMUNIQUE.

London, April 16.

A French communiqué reports:—

We continued our destructive fire
on the German organisation between
St. Quentin and the Oise. The
enemy's reply was very lively in the
region to the south of St. Quentin.

We continued to progress to the
east and south of the Oise on the
plateau between Barisis and Quincy-
Basse and occupied a fresh enemy
point d'appui.

The artillery duel was very violent
during the night along the whole
front, including the Soissons and
Rheims fronts.

After violent artillery preparation
our detachments penetrated the
enemy's lines at several points in
Alsace and Lorraine. Many German
dead were found in the trenches in
the forest at Parroy which were over-
thrown by our fire.

Our detachments reached the
enemy's second line at six points in
the plain in Alsace and inflicted seri-
ous losses on the enemy, and brought
back prisoners and material.

GERMAN REPORTS.

London, April 16.

A German official message, trans-
mitted by wireless, reports:—

On the north bank of the Scarpe
and to the north-east of Croisilles
our fire kept down the British
attacks.

Our thrust drove back the enemy
on Lagnicourt and Boursies. To
the sanguinary losses suffered by the
Australians, must be added 475
prisoners, 15 machine-guns and 22
guns.

French attacks near Vauvallon
and Chivres failed. There was in-
tense and heavy artillery activity
between Soissons and Rheims where
infantry fighting developed on wide
sectors.

French storming attempts in the
Lorraine plain and at Burgundy
Gate failed.

Between Soissons and Verdun the
enemy lost 11 aeroplanes yesterday.

Later.

A German official message, trans-
mitted by wireless, reports:—

There is little fighting at Arras.

The great French attempt, with the
far distant object of breaking through
on the Aisne has commenced, after ten
days' mass-fire.

A bitter fight is proceeding around
our foremost positions on a frontal at-
tack 40 kilometres wide.

BRITISH CAPTURES TO DATE.

London, April 16.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig

reports:—

Upwards of 14,000 prisoners and
194 guns have been captured since
the morning of the 9th inst.

There has been heavy rain all the
afternoon and nothing of special
interest has occurred.

GREAT BOOTY CAPTURED AT LIEVIN.

FURTHER PROGRESS REPORTED.

London, April 15.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig

reports:—

We captured Villers Village to the
south-east of Hargicourt. We pro-
gressed to the north-west of Lens.

Our booty captured at Lievin on
the Souchez River is very great,
including a six inch naval gun, many
trench mortars, ammunition, and
truck loads of tools.

The enemy's attack at Monchy-le-
Preux on Saturday was most deter-
mined. The third Bavarian division,
which fought at Loos in 1915 and at
High Wood in 1916, was ordered to
retake the village at all costs. It
suffered very heavy losses.

COSTLY ATTACK ON BRITISH POSITIONS.

8,000 GERMAN CASUALTIES.

London, April 15.

Details of the German attack

yesterday, on the British positions

between Hennes and Noreuil, in

which four German divisions partici-
pated and which resulted in a
serious reverse to the Crown Prince

reputable army, at Lagnicourt, is

given by Reuter's correspondent at
Amiens.

He says the attack
was most interesting from a tactical
point of view, and one of the best
examples of old-fashioned field war-
fare and open fighting, for which we
have been praying since the war
began.

The German papers have been
boasting about what their won-
derful Field-Greys would do when
they met the British in the open.

The German soldiers have hitherto
only succeeded in "making their
papers again look ridiculous. Fritz
is no match for Tommy in a hand-
to-hand fight, and it does not im-
prove his morale that he is beginning
to realise this."

After a very heavy bombardment
the German infantry came over
shortly before 5 o'clock, in formi-
dable waves, but our men stood their
ground everywhere except at one
spot, and our artillery played havoc
with the Huns who wavered. Their
officers rallied them and again ad-
vanced, but the steady rifle and
machine-gun fire of the British was
more than they could face and gaps
were rapidly torn in their ranks.

Suddenly the attack seemed to melt
away and the costly assault failed.

Only at one spot, near Lagni-
court, the enemy, by overwhelming
weight of numbers, gained a short
lived success. These positions were
entirely re-captured after three hours,
the enemy leaving 1,500 dead and
800 prisoners in our hands.

The attack must have cost the
Huns nearly 8,000 casualties.

Later.

The correspondent communicates
further particulars of our successful
counter-attack at Lagnicourt yester-
day morning. The retreating Huns
were caught by their own wire which
was not cut in the direction in which
they were forced back. While they
were running wildly up and down
trying to find a passage, our men,
firing with deliberate aim, were
shooting them down in hundreds.

The intensity of the rifle-fire has not
been equalled since the days of the
Marne. Many of our men fired hun-
dreds of rounds and the desperate
Germans doubled right at our men
holding up their hands.

The correspondent reports that the
fighting at both ends of the line has
been steadily persistent throughout
the last 24 hours. Our forces are
closing in on Lens and St. Quentin.

Later.

The correspondent mentions that
the captured six-inch naval gun,
mentioned in a communiqué earlier,
is now being employed most effec-
tively against the Boches. Other
booty included a number of howitz-
ers, field guns, eight-inch shells,
large quantities of bombs and high
explosive material and truck loads
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 15th April to 25th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
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Hongkong, April 14, 1917. 1678

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Hongkong, April 14, 1917. 1678

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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Hongkong, April 16, 1917. 1682

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Members will be held on SATURDAY, the 21st April, 1917, at 12 o'clock Noon, at the Office of the Jockey Club on the Ground Floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, April 5, 1917. 1649

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Hongkong, April 12, 1917. 1687

HONGKONG SCHOOLS' SPORTS.

NOTICE.

THE Hongkong Schools' ATHLETIC SPORTS will be held on the Race Course, by kind permission of the Jockey Club, on FRIDAY, April 20th.

There will be the usual races for past students of schools.

Hongkong, April 13, 1917. 1675

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(From Our Own Correspondent.)

MARCH 7.

Merchiston had a fine success, but Fettes College have gone down badly in form since Christmas; they have now probably lost their chance of the Public Schools Championship. It was an open game, full of fast passages and changes. Merchiston were stronger in front, and enjoyed a marked ascendancy at half-back, where J.W. Simpson and A. C. Brown proved too good for the opposing pair, D. M. Stewart and R. M. Gourlay were also conspicuous, though at times they were indebted to the lapses in tackling of the Fettes team. An often postponed fixture, Glasgow University, and Glasgow High School, resulted in a substantial victory for the students. The School was not at full strength, and extracted some comfort from the fact that several of the students used to play in their own team. Indeed, the outstanding player was the old High School captain, E. J. B. Lloyd, and with him were G. Pearson and W. Finlay. Allan Glen's forwards were greatly superior to Ayr Academy; but the feature of the match was a fine run by W. C. Jack, which gave the Ayr boys their only score.

Merchiston, 18; Fettes, 9.
Glasgow University, 22; Glasgow High School, 6.
Stewart's, 20; Edinburgh Institution, 0.
Ayr Academy, 3; Allan Glen's, 22.

Several of the Association League results were interesting without being startling. No one expected either Celtic or Rangers to go down, but both had gloomy finishes. Though holding an apparently commanding lead at the interval, Celtic came much nearer than Rangers to losing a point, for the Queen's Park eleven are imbued with the traditional amateur spirit, recks little of odds, and is never seen to such advantage as when attempting to reduce a handicap. Three strong men were absent from the Aberdeen team, and it was a highly creditable feat to run the Rangers to a small majority. Hibs had a surprise draw with Third Lanark. Partick Thistle had an equal share of the game at Airdrie and only one-third of the goals. Clyde were beaten at Kilmarnock by

a more consistent side. St. Mirren won rather easily against Hearts-Raith Rovers, by defeating Dundee, got away from the last place in the table, a place which is now occupied by Aberdeen.

Heart of Mid-Lothian, 1; St. Mirren, 2.
Third Lanark, 1; Hibernians, 1.
Celtic, 3; Queen's Park, 2.
Rangers, 1; Aberdeen, 0.
Motherwell, 1; Falkirk, 0.
Raith Rovers, 3; Dundee, 2.
Airdrieonians, 3; Partick Thistle, 1.
Ayr United, 0; Morton, 3.
Dumbarton, 0; Hamilton Academical, 0.
Kilmarnock, 2; Clyde, 0.

POSTAGE STAMPS IN CHINA.

Writing in the Daily Telegraph Mr. Fred J. Mayville, alluding to the fact that the British Post Office agencies in China (except Wei-hai-wei) have for some time past withdrawn from the Imperial penny postage arrangement, points out that they now charge the rates prevailing in the Chinese postal system. These are the Universal Postal Union rates of 2 cents, 4 cents, and 10 cents, the stamps of these denominations being green, red, and blue respectively, corresponding to our 3d. green, 1d. red, and 2d. blue stamp. The change coincides with the transfer of the administration of the postal agencies in China from the Hongkong Post Office to the British Imperial Post Office. Hongkong stamps of all denominations (except the 30 cents) have been overprinted "China" for use in these British agencies, so that a separate account will be kept for these offices, which were formerly dealt with by the Hongkong Government. The overprinted stamps are now issued, and the first supplies of them have reached England. The overprint is in bold sans serif type on the 1 cent brown, 2 cents green, 4 cents red, 6 cents orange, 10 cents grey, 10 cents blue, 12 cents purple on yellow paper, 20 cents purple and green, 25 cents purple, 50 cents black on green paper, \$1 purple and blue on blue paper, \$2 red and black, \$3 green and violet, \$5 green and red on green paper, and \$10 purple and black on red paper.

The transfer of the British post-office agencies in China to the Imperial Government is possibly a first step to the withdrawal of all the foreign postal agencies in China. Since China has joined the Postal Union, the Republic has requested the various Powers to surrender the special postal privileges they have long held in China. The French, Russian, Japanese, and German Governments have enjoyed these postal privileges, and have issued special overprinted stamps for them. About ten years ago even Belgium was seriously considering the setting up of Belgian postal agencies in China, and Belgian stamps overprinted "China" were prepared. The Belgian project fell through on account of protests raised by one of the Powers which already had postal agencies in China.

PREMIUM BONDS.

In the House of Commons Sir C. Henry recently asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer if he is aware that a substantial amount was subscribed to the War Loan through the medium of sweepstakes that were organised; whether he will recognise the attraction to a certain portion of the population of an investment where prize are one of the features; and whether he will take into consideration, in order that the section of the population referred to may be attracted to take a financial interest in the shape of premium bonds?

Mr. Bonar Law: I do not wish to say more at present than that I have an open mind on the subject of the raising of money for the War by the issue of premium bonds. The hon. Baronet is, of course, aware that legislation would be required before such an issue could be made.

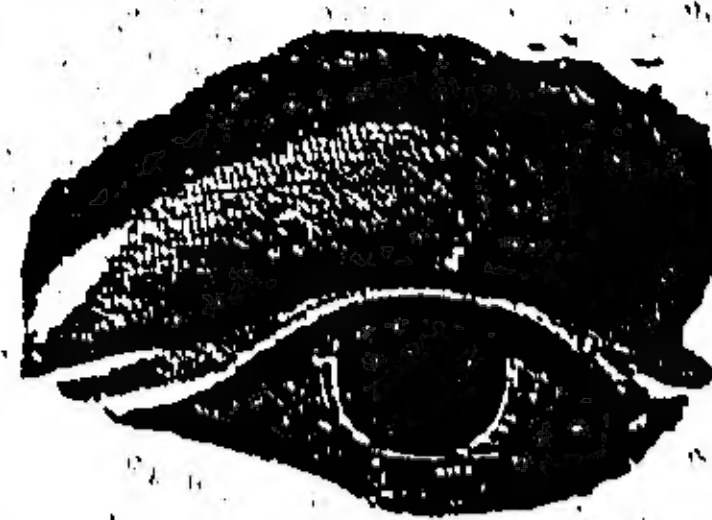
Sir Henry: Will the right hon. Gentleman consult his hon. colleagues the Member for the Bowdley Division (Mr. Baldwin)?

Mr. Bonar Law: Certainly.

Mr. Theodore Taylor: Will the right hon. Gentleman approve of the principle of the Lottery Act which prohibits gambling of all kinds?

Mr. Bonar Law: I have only said "I have an open mind." It will be time enough to discuss its merits later.

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1917, at 1 P.M.
By Order, R. HANCOCK,
Secretary.
Hongkong, April 17, 1917. 1687

**THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC
COMPANY, LTD.**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING will be held at the
Company's Offices, St. George's
Building, on SATURDAY, the
5th May, 1917, at 12 o'clock noon, for the
purpose of presenting the Report of the
Directors together with a Statement of
Accounts to 28th February, 1917, and
electing Directors and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from the
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THE CALENDAR.

MEMOS FOR TOMORROW.
11 a.m.—Auction of Gunnies at Kow-
loon Government.
6 p.m.—Meeting of the Overseas Club
at Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co's.

Geographical Memoranda.
TUESDAY, April 18—
Prof. E. Dautenberg's concert in aid of
French Relief Fund.
WEDNESDAY, April 19—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household
Furniture, Porcelains, etc. at Messrs.
Hogbes and Hughes.
Hongkong Schools' Athletic Sports.
SATURDAY, April 21—
Noon—Half-Yearly Meeting of the
H.K. Jockey Club.
Gymkhana Club's Meeting at Race
Course, Happy Valley.
10.00 p.m.—New Moon.

MONDAY, April 23—
St. George's Day.
Morning, sale of Badges.
Afternoon, Fete and Café at Volunteer
Headquarters.
8.15 p.m.—"Scenes from Shakespeare"
at Theatre Royal.

WEDNESDAY, April 25—
Princess Victoria Alexandra's (Princess
Mary) Birthday (1897).
5 p.m.—Matinee Performance of
"Scenes from Shakespeare" in
Theatre Royal.

THURSDAY, April 26—
Noon—Union Insurance Society's
Meeting.
12.30 p.m.—China Fire Insurance Co's
Meeting.
12.45 p.m.—British Traders' Insurance
Co's Meeting.

FRIDAY, April 27—
Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement
Day.
SATURDAY, April 28—
9.15 p.m.—"Scenes from Shakespeare"
in Theatre Royal.

BIRTH.

KENNETH—On 16th April, 1917, to
Mr. and Mrs. H. W. B. KENNETH, a
daughter.

DEATH.
LEE—On the 9th April, at the General
Hospital, Shanghai, JESSE REES LEE,
Electricity Department, S.M.C.,
aged 48 years.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, April 17, 1917.

THE AUSTRIAN PEACE OVERTURES.

An interesting situation is created
by the Austrian peace overtures to
Russia. If the statement authorised
by the Austro-Hungarian Government
really means what it says, Austria
entirely abandons the pretensions on
her part which were the direct cause
of the war. The statement
authorised by the Austro-Hungarian
Government says that, like Russia,
Austria-Hungary does "not desire
to dominate over other peoples." It
is scarcely necessary to recall the fact
that it was Austria's humiliation of
Serbia which brought about hostilities.
It had been, as Sir EDWARD GREY
said, "a commonplace in European
diplomacy in the past" that the
Russian policy was "The Balkans
for the Balkans," and it was well-
known that any attack on a Balkan
State by any great European Power
would be regarded as a menace
to that policy. A British Futi-
mentary paper published at the time
says: "It was not a question of
the policy of Russian statesman at
St. Petersburg, but of the deep
hereditary feeling for the Balkan
populations bred in the Russian
people by more than two centuries
of development." No Government
knew this better than did the Govern-
ment of Austria-Hungary; yet by
dominating over and humiliating
Serbia, it deliberately challenged
Russia to a war which every one
knew was likely to lead, as it
speedily did lead, to a conflagration
which involved half the Powers of
Europe and spread in time to Asia
and America. But the diplomatic
correspondence which preceded the
war left no doubt that Austria was
under the influence of Germany
in this respect. Germany fancied
that the time was ripe for the
attempt to accomplish her aims of
world-wide Empire. She has found
that she under-rated the military
power of the adversaries who rose
up against her in defence of the
public law of Europe. Austria-
Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria have
realised that too, and their anxiety
for peace can be well understood.
One of the telegrams to-day says it
is well understood that only the
German refusal to co-operate pre-
vented the issue of definite peace
proposals on the occasion of the
recent meeting of the German and
Austrian Emperors. Therefore the
Austrian declaration is taken to
suggest that Austria is "nearing
the end of her tether." But does
it mean that Austria is prepared
to denounce her alliance with
Germany, and that she is prepared
to entirely withdraw from the war?
The new Russian Government has
quite recently declared its
fidelity to the agreements between

CLAIM FOR DAMAGES AGAINST SOAP MANUFACTURERS.

Before Sir William Rees Davies, K.C.,
Chief Justice, this morning the case was
heard in which Tang Yuk Chuen and
Lye Joon Sang (by Tang Yuk Chuen,
his attorney), claim \$1,000 damages
from William Gosage and Sons Ltd.,
being damages sustained by the plaintiffs
in consequence of the defendant having
obtained an interim injunction against
them in an original action, in 1916, and
in accordance with the undertaking
given by them on the 7th day of October
1916, by the defendant's counsel, to be
responsible in damages as follows:—
Storage on 1,260 cases of "Beehive"
Soap \$126; depreciation thereon,
\$630; Special damage through loss of
\$244. Plaintiffs also claim costs
of the action.

Mr. R. C. Faithful appeared for the
plaintiffs and Mr. E. J. Grist for the
defendants.

Mr. Faithful, in outlining the case,
said that the soap was purchased from
Singapore and his clients were precluded
from selling it by injunction, up to
November 15th, 1916. The soap was
from the agent of the plaintiffs in Singa-
pore, the latter having in turn purchased
the soap from the defendant Company,
and it was like the soap and bore the
same label as that sold by the defendant.
When the latter found that the soap
had been purchased in Singapore he
wrote to his agent instructing him not
to sell any more for export to Hongkong,
since he already had a duly appointed
agent here.

Mr. Grist hereupon pointed out that
the defendant firm had undertaken to
be responsible for any damage incurred
by the plaintiffs by reason of the
injunction and the matter was referred
to the Registrar. He understood that
so far the matter had not yet been
settled, therefore he objected, as it
could not come before the Court until
the Registrar had given his decision.

His Lordship concurred and sent for
the Registrar and it was found that the
case had been adjourned *vide die* by the
latter, as he understood that a separate
action was to be brought.

His Lordship said he would have to
proceed with the case.

The plaintiffs then went into the
witness box and gave evidence as to the
purchase of the soap.

After hearing further evidence His
Lordship referred the case back to the
Registrar for enquiry into the original
action.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Hongkong Stock Exchange will
be closed after 1 p.m. on Monday next,
St. George's Day.

A fire at Osaka has destroyed the
Customs warehouse. The damage is
estimated at Yen 2,500,000.

At the annual meeting of the
Shanghai Stock Exchange the members
unanimously decided to donate \$15,
000 to some of the war funds.

At long last! Much needed, much
wanted rain fell to-day in the Settlement
after an unusually lengthy spell of dry
weather, says the *Shanghai Mercury* of
April 11.

A model sailing yacht, 27 inches
long, with automatic steering gear, will
be raffled on St. George's Day. The
yacht is now on view at Messrs. Thos.
Cook & Son's Office.

A proposal is being made that the
monument erected at Peking as a memorial
to Baron von Ketteler, the German
Ambassador who was killed in the Boxer
rising, should be torn down.

A report from the province of
Szechuan says:—There has been a re-
markable revival of trade recently.
Silver, which was scarce, is now plentiful
and merchants are remitting large
sums to the coast to purchase goods.

Owing to the congestion of
telegrams exchanged with the United
Kingdom, Holland, Norway, Sweden,
etc., via Eastern, senders of telegrams
are requested to use the "Deferred"
service as much as possible for such
telegrams as are of a non-urgent nature,
notwithstanding the present delay on
"deferred" messages, due to plying in
Europe, and to thus help to prevent an
increase in the full-rate traffic, which
already overtaxes the through cable
service. If not thus kept at a minimum,
it is intimated that a part also of the
full-rate telegrams will have to be dealt
with by post, with resulting irregularity
of delays.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. N. C. Brodie (Messrs. Alfred
Dent & Co.), the popular Hon Secretary
of the Shanghai Rowing Club, has left
Shanghai to offer his services to the
Government.

The wedding will take place very
quietly at the British Legation Chapel,
Peking, on May 4, of Commander
Ilyd A. Stewart Hulon, R.N., Naval
Attache, and Marjory Kathleen, daugh-
ter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Price,
Peking.

A post card received recently in
Shanghai from 2nd Lieut. A. E. Griffen,
of the Liverpool Regiment, formerly of
Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews,
says: "Just said goodbye to one of my
fingers. Expect to be back at the
Front soon."

In the Training Times given in the
Shanghai papers it is good to see
again the initials "C. R. B." From this
we have no doubt Mr. Burkill has
completely recovered from the accident
he had when riding Triumph at
Dahli. Mr. C. C. Boyd, who also had
a nasty spill last Hongkong Gymkhana
riding in the last Kwangnam Gymkhana
Meeting.

It is mentioned by a Shanghai con-
temporary that Mr. J. R. Lee, whose
death at Shanghai is announced in
another column to-day, was a native of
Leicester and came to Shanghai less
than two years ago, and joined the
clerical branch of the Electricity Depart-
ment. "He had previously been in
Hongkong where for 21 years he had
served in various departments of the
Government Civil Hospital." He leaves
a wife and five children to mourn his loss.

THE MAGISTRACY.

A CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER.

In Mr. Wood's Court yesterday a
brakesman named "Woong" Chung
(charged on remand) pleaded not guilty
to the manslaughter of Ip Ma Pui, a
coolie also employed on the Railway, at
Sha-tin, on March 28th, 1917.

It was alleged that the defendant
who was a brakesman on the ballast
train wrecked near Sha-tin, on March
28th, was responsible for the accident
which resulted in the death of two
coolies and injury to eight coolies.

The Hon. C. S. P. (Mr. McI. Messer)
appeared to prosecute the case and
evidence was given by Dr. Smalley,
Medical Officer in charge of the
Kowloon Mortuary, and Sergeant
Dorney of Sha-tin.

Other witnesses were then called and
the case adjourned.

A JUVENILE OFFENDER.

A very small boy, a mere mite in
stature, was brought before Mr. J. R.
Wood this morning on a charge of
hawking without a license.

Inspector Sullivan informed the
Magistrate that although the boy was
but a child, he was already an efficient
hawker and made a daily practice of
peddling a large basket of towels, valued
at about ten dollars.

The boy's father then explained that
he (the witness) was a licensed hawker
and his son was merely helping him to
sell towels.

His Worship instructed the witness
that if the boy continued hawking it
would be necessary for him to have a
license. He discharged the juvenile
hawker with a caution against repeating
the offence.

HONGKONG WOMEN'S WAR WORK.

Mrs. A. Maitland, Hon. Treasurer
War Hospitals' Supply Depot and
Hongkong Association of Women War
Workers, asks for the publication of the
appended Statement of Account of
Receipts and Expenses, from 13th
December, 1915, when the former
Association was started till 31st March,
1917, when the latter Association
terminated.

From 1st April, 1917, the accounts of
Working Parties (as far as they con-
cern the War Charities Committee) will
be dealt with by the War Charities
Store Sub-Committee, by whom lists of
donations received will be published
each month.

RECEIPTS.
Subscriptions collected.....\$ 738.00
Donations collected.....3,661.00
Received from Hon. Treasurer
of War Charities April 1916
to March, 1917.....40,700.45
\$ 45,200.55

PAYMENTS.
For Materials.....\$ 45,198.57
Less collected.....512.06
Sale of Materials.....\$ 4,983.22
For freight, charges, sundry
expenses, cost of Wardrobes,
Cupboards and Sewing ma-
chines, etc.....\$ 918.30
\$ 48,200.52

A. MAITLAND,
Hon. Treasurer,
War Hospitals' Supply Depot
and Hongkong Association
of Women War Workers.

I have audited the foregoing account
and have found it to be a correct state-
ment of receipts and payments. I have
seen vouchers of all disbursements.
C. BRUNARD BOWEN, A.C.A.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1917.

FRENCH RELIEF FUND.

FOR HOMELESS POPULATIONS IN NORTHERN FRANCE.

FIFTH LIST.

Ray and Falconer.....\$ 100
Lindstedt and Davis.....100
"Triumph".....100
Sir William Rees-Davies.....100
Anonymous (D.L.).....50
Fr. Morgan.....15
"From Eric, Vida & Doris".....100
P. A. Lapierre.....100
Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming.....50
Madame and Melle Flint.....150
Astor House.....50
Mr. Mandin.....25
Seneit Freres.....100
Delheil.....10
Kwong Mui Seng.....200
Wo Fat Sing.....500
Previous lists.....\$ 8,880.70
Total.....\$ 10,280.70

A notice by the United States De-
puty Postal Agent in Shanghai papers
announces that the route via the United
States is not open for forwarding of
mail for or from Germany or for mail
destined for Austria-Hungary, Luxem-
burg, Bulgaria and Turkey.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY.

DIVIDEND AND BONDS.

We are informed that, subject to audit,
the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., will
propose at the General Meeting, ad-
vised to be held on the 5th prox.,
To pay a Dividend of 32.25
To pay a Bonus of 75 cents
per share.....\$ 125,000.00
To place to Reserve.....\$ 500,000.00
To write off Plant.....175,000.00
To write off New Property.....40,000.00
To write off Furniture.....30,210
To pay a Bonus to Staff.....11,357.15
To carry forward to next
account.....\$ 113,759.11
\$ 823,499.38

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice
Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs
to acknowledge with thanks the follow-
ing donations to the funds of the
Hospitals:

Rothel Bros.....\$ 15
W. C. Jack & Co.....10
N. Mody & Co.....10
Montre & Co.....10
Gen. Electric Co.....10
Robert Dollat Co.....10
Donnelly and Whyte.....10
A. Ritchie.....10

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THE case of Chamberlain's Cough
Remedy is world wide. It is good
for the deep seated cough of the adult
or the croup and whooping cough of the
children. The same bottle serves the
whole family. For sale by all Chemists
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THE FRUIT SEASON.

Bowel complaint is sure to be
prevalent during the fruit season.
Be sure to keep a bottle of Chamberlain's
Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy
on hand. It may save a life. For sale
by all Chemists and Druggists.

THE HONGKONG HORTICUL- TURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the
Society was held at the City Hall
at noon to-day. Mr. H. W. Looker
presided and there were present—Mrs.
Stabb, Mrs. Newall, Mr. J. Scott
Harston, Mr. W. Tutcher (Committee)
and Messrs E. Ormiston J. J. Harrington
A. Nicol (Hon. Secretary) and L. N.
Leefe (Hon. Treasurer).

The CHAIRMAN said:—Ladies and
Gentlemen. With your permission I
propose that the Report and Accounts
should be taken as read. The present
position of the Society is, I think, a
matter for great congratulation. Not
only have we more members than ever
before, not only did we have a greater
number of exhibitors at the recent show
than ever before, but the number and
quality of the exhibits reached a
standard which no previous experience
had led us to hope for. I think we
may take this as evidence of a greater
interest being taken in horticulture, an
interest which I think will tend to grow
each year. The culture of vegetables
and flowers holds out great rewards to
those who pursue it; it becomes an
increasing passion and failure only
stimulates its votaries to make greater
efforts for success. Its secret lies in
diligent and painstaking attention and
no trouble can be too great and no
precaution too small if the best results
are to be attained. There must still be
a number of persons in the Colony
who take an interest in the subject but
remain outside the Society and I hope
they will all be stimulated to join
our ranks and that this year will see a
further large addition to our members.
There are one or two features of
our annual show which I think it desir-
able to allude to. It is one of the rules
of the Society that all exhibits should
bear exhibit numbers on arrival at the
show. This rule appears to be looked
upon by many exhibitors as an amiable
sort of joke, for few observe it. This
adds enormously to the burden
on the shoulders of the staging
Committee and it becomes increasingly
difficult to cope with it. The show area
throughout the greater part of the day
before the show becomes a dumping
ground for a mass of unattended pots
with nothing to identify the class they
are intended for, the gardeners con-
cerned disappear, and then staging in
the requisite time becomes a superhu-
man task. Fortunately we found this
year a super stager in Mr. Bowley who
devoted the whole of the day to the
task but there is no reason why it
should have taken more than a few
hours. If every exhibitor took suffi-
cient interest in his exhibits to
see that they were all ticketed
before they left his house the work of
the staggers would be immensely simpli-
fied and I must warn exhibitors that if
the rule is not strictly adhered to in
admittance to the show area of any
arrival. Exhibitors should also instruct
their gardeners that any final titivation
of their exhibits should take place either
before despatch to the show or after
staging, and not after arrival
while they are still standing about the
show ground. Complaints have
been received of mutilation of flowers
and cuttings and sale of vegetable ex-
hibits. Steps will be taken to put a
stop to this as far as possible next year.
Other matters which will engage the
attention of the Committee are the
abolishing of the restrictions on winners
of groups of pot plants and collections
of vegetables and the alteration of the
challenge cup rules by providing that a
cup shall not be continually won by the
same everlasting exhibit. Also the pre-
paration of an official list of the plants
previously exhibited.

One of the functions of this meeting
is to elect a Committee for the ensuing
year. I would like to point out to
members that it is necessary for all mem-
bers of the Committee to be able to
render a sacrifice of time and trouble
unless all members of the Committee
are able to bear a hand the work
involved is too much for one or two
members to cope with. I shall later
submit a few names for your consid-
eration and I hope all members who are
elected on the Committee will be
prepared to give a helping hand
at the show to the utmost of their
ability. We have, each year, a difficulty
in finding adequate judges and we
shall be very glad to learn the
names of any member possessing a
knowledge of flowers and vegetables to
assist in the task. I would draw the
attention of members to the underlined
passage in the report as to making sure
that plants they exhibit come from their
own garden. This is a very necessary
precaution. A considerable doubt was
expressed at the last show as to a Peak
exhibit which was awarded the first
prize and certain evidence that it had
been obtained by the gardener from a
Chinese garden on the lower levels was
tendered to the Committee. This is a
delicate matter to deal with and the
Committee feel that it should not be
necessary to do more than draw
the attention of members to the Report.
A suggestion has been made
that next year's show should
be held in the City Hall. The proposal
has many advantages to recommend it,
particularly from a weather point of

VIEW.

The question will have the at-
tention of the new Committee and the
views of members on the subject will
be welcomed. I cannot help feeling
that the work done by the Society and
the interest it has evoked in the culture
of flowers and vegetables is worthy of
Government support, anything which
tends to add to the attractiveness of
life in this Colony rapidly becomes a
matter of public interest. Good
vegetables grown under healthy con-
ditions and bright arrays of pretty
flowers add greatly to the assets of the
Colony both as a place of residence and
of resort. The Chinese market gardener
is not slow to undertake the culture of
what he finds is to the public taste and
we have good reason for supposing that
this work of the Society has
borne fruit in this direction. I
think the time has come when we
may justifiably apply for Government
support and I am sure you will all
endorse the proposal that we should do
so. I cannot close my remarks without
a tribute of appreciation to the work of
our Secretary, Mr. Nicol. Every ex-
hibitor must have been impressed with
the care, the organization and the
patience which he devoted to his task
but only the Committee know the full
extent to which the Society is indebted
to him. I am sure you will all
share the regret of the Committee
at his inability to continue his office for
another year. Fortunately with your
approval, we have found a good man to
replace him in Mr. Bowley and Mr.
Nicol has promised to render all the
assistance he can. I shall be glad to
deal as far as I can with any features of
the Society or the show which any
member may desire to raise but I first
propose that the Report and Accounts
as presented be approved and passed.
I now beg to propose that the Report
and the Accounts be adopted.

Mr. W. J. TUTCHER seconded the
motion was carried.

Mr. A. NICOL proposed and Mr. E.
ORMISTON seconded that Mr. H. W.
LOOKER be re-elected president. The
motion was carried.

Mr. H. W. LOOKER proposed and
Mr. NEWALL seconded that Mr. L. N.
LEEF be re-elected Hon. Treasurer,
and this motion was also carried.

Mr. H. W. LOOKER proposed and
Mr. J. SCOTT HARSTON seconded that
Mr. A. NICOLL should not stand for election,
Mr. F. R. L. BOWLEY be elected as Hon.
Secretary. The motion was carried.

The following committee was
elected for the coming year:—
Mrs. NEWALL, Mrs. Aubrey, Mrs. Taylor,
Messrs E. Ormiston, A. Nicholson, W.
J. Tutcher, J. Scott Harston and A.
Nicol.

The PRESIDENT, referring to his pre-
vious remarks in connection with
persecution by exhibitors, read a letter
in which it was alleged that con-
siderable cheating went on at the last
show, amongst the Chinese gardeners.
One instance was cited in which it was
stated that a Chinese exhibitor went to
the Wanchai Market and bought some
flowers which he exhibited, and a first
prize was awarded. The President re-
marked that he need hardly say that
this matter was one which would be
investigated by the committee and steps
would be taken to prevent a recurrence.
The meeting then dispersed.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

TRAINING TIMES.

Training for the Gymkhana fixed
for next Saturday has, reached
the interesting stage, and gallops
may be watched most mornings now
by those enthusiastic enough to be
up by bedtime.

The following were the times done
this morning:—
CADDOW'S WAIR (late Est), 1 mile, 33-
1.14, 1.45.2, 1.18.3; last 33.
FIELD MOUSE, 1 mile last 3, 34.4+34=
1.08.4.
KING BEX, 1 mile last 3, 34.4+35.3=
1.10.2.
SANDAL, 1 mile, 39, 1.18, 1.51, 2.23.3;
last 39.3.
TOM CORLEMAN, last 1, 1.18.1, 1.52.4;
last 39.0.
BROWN BEX, 1 mile, 47.3, 1.29.1, 2.03.3;
last 39.2.
SIO, 1 mile, 48, 1.30, 2.10.1, 2.42.3;
last 39.1.
AUSTRALIAN CHIEF, 1 mile, 35.2, 1.09.5,
1.43.2, 2.14.4; last 39.2.
TITLINGTON, 1 last 3, 35.4+36.4=1.07.4.
MAID DANCE, 1 mile, 39.3, 1.14.2, 1.48,
2.21.2; last 39.2.
CHOICE DANCE, 1 mile, 36.5, 1.10.3, 1.43,
2.18; last 35.
HUGH HEN, 1 mile last 3, 38, 1.13.4,
1.45; last 31.1.

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.....125 sellers
Malabar Sugars.....38 buyers
Steamboats.....18 buyers
Hongkong Leads.....100 sales
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Cementa.....8.10 buyers
Shai Cottons.....120 sellers

BOWEL COMPLAINT IN CHILDREN.

DURING the summer months children
are subject to disorders of the
bowels and should receive the most
careful attention. As soon as any
unnatural looseness of the bowels, or
Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea, is observed,
Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and
Diarrhoea Remedy should be given
by all Chemists and Druggists.

TELEGRAMS.

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PEACE OVERTURES.

AUSTRIAN OVERTURES TO RUSSIA.

AMSTERDAM, April 16. The "Austrian Government has authorized a statement practically amounting to a peace offer to Russia. The statement says the Monarchy desires an honorable peace."

The statement represented the sentiments of the manifesto regarding Russia not desiring to dominate over other people and says: "It may, therefore, be stated that Austria-Hungary and Russia are similarly striving for a peace guaranteeing existence, honour and the possibility of the development of the belligerent States."

The Austro-Hungarian Monarchy is convinced that its claims do not conflict with those of Russia. The latter has stated that she is fighting only for the defence of the freedom of her people. Russia is no longer compelled to fight for that object. Therefore, there should be no difficulty in establishing an understanding between the Central Powers and Russia, especially as the Austrian Emperor, in agreement with his Allied Monarchs, desires to live in future in peace and friendship with the Russian people.

THE MEANING OF THE DECLARATION.

LONDON, April 16. Austria's singular pronouncement in favour of peace with Russia causes surprise, as it is well understood that only the German refusal to co-operate prevented the issue of definite peace proposals on the occasion of the recent meeting of the German and Austrian Emperors. To-day's declaration suggests that Austria is nearing the end of her tether and is seeking a separate peace with Russia.

It must be remembered that the Russian Provisional Government accepted all the treaties with the Allies, including the pact forbidding a separate peace.

The resignation of Count Martini, the Austrian Premier, on the grounds of health, announced to-day, may probably be connected with the new peace movement.

GERMAN SOCIALISTS AND THE AUSTRIAN DECLARATION.

AMSTERDAM, April 16. A new party, called the Independent Social Democratic Party of Germany, has been founded under the joint presidency of Herr Haase and Herr Liebknecht, to oppose Schiedemann's Socialist Party and the Government.

The *Vorwarts*, in supporting the Austro-Hungarian declaration, reminds Russia that the Social Democracy of Germany rejects the policy of conquest.

The *Frankfurter* states that the Executive of the German Social Democracy in Austria, has issued a manifesto to Russian Socialists, in favour of peace.

ITALIAN SOCIALIST DELEGATION TO RUSSIA.

ROME, April 16. A Socialist delegation is going to Russia to help the Russian Socialists to defeat the German peace intrigues.

AN APPEAL TO THE RUSSIAN DEMOCRACY.

PETROGRAD, April 16. A general Congress of the Council of Workmen and Soldiers' Delegates from all parts of Russia have passed a resolution appealing to the Democracy to support the Provisional Government as long as it continues to consolidate and develop the gains of the Revolution and does not base its foreign policy on aspirations of territorial expansion.

GENERAL NIVELLE CONGRATULATES SIR DOUGLAS HAIG.

LONDON, April 16. Reuter's correspondent at French Headquarters reports:—General Nivelle has congratulated Sir Douglas Haig on the successful operations, to which the latter has apparently replied.

WAR ORGANISATION IN AMERICA.

STRIKING APPEAL TO THE NATION BY PRESIDENT WILSON.

WASHINGTON, April 16. President Wilson's speech was another great utterance in which he outlined, amid frequent cheering, how America was going to war in earnest, not only helping herself but also assisting the Allies in the most generous and in the fullest possible way. Amongst other things he said:

Fellow Countrymen, "The entrance of our beloved country in the grim terrible war for democracy and human rights creates many national problems calling for immediate consideration and settlement. We are rapidly putting our Navy upon an effective war footing, and we are about to create and equip a great army; but these are the simplest parts of the great task confronting us. There is not a single selfish element, as far as I can see, in the cause we are fighting for. We are fighting for what we believe to be the rights of mankind and the future peace and security of the world. To do this thoroughly we must devote ourselves to service, without regard to profit, and with energy and intelligence that rise to enterprise itself. We must realize that the full how great the task is: how many things, how many kinds of elements of capacity, service and self-sacrifice it involves. These then are the things we must do, and do well besides fighting—things without which mere fighting will be fruitless. We must supply abundant food not only to our own armies and seamen, but also for a large part of the nations with whom we have now made common cause, in whose support and by whose sides we shall be fighting. We must supply ships by the hundreds out of our shipyards to carry to the other side of the sea—submarines or no—submarines—what will every day be needed there, and abundant materials from our fields, mines and factories with which you get to cloth and equip our own forces on land and sea, but also to clothe and support our people for whom the gallant fellows under arms can no longer work; to help to clothe and equip the armies with which we are co-operating in Europe, and to keep the looms and manufacturing there in raw material; coal to keep the fires going in ships at sea and the furnaces in hundreds of factories across the sea; steel, out of which to make arms and ammunition, both here and there; rails for worn-out railroads at the back of the fighting fronts; locomotives and rolling-stock to replace those which are every day going to pieces; mules, horses, and cattle for labour and military service—indeed, everything with which the people of England, France, Italy, and Russia have usually supplied themselves, but cannot now afford the men, materials or machinery to make. It is evident to every thinking man that our industries, farms, shipyards, mines, and factories must be made more prolific and more efficient than ever, and more economically managed, better adapted to particular requirements for our task than they have been. What I want to emphasize is that men and women who devote their energy and thought to these things will be serving the country and conducting the fight for peace and freedom just as truly, just as effectively as the men in the battlefield or trenches. The industrial forces of the country—men and women alike—will be a great national—a great international—service, and the army a notable and honoured host, engaged in the nation's and the world's service and efficient friends and saviours of free men everywhere. (Cheers.)

ADVICE TO INDUSTRIAL FORCES.

Hundreds and thousands of men otherwise liable to military service will of right and necessity be excused and assigned to fundamental and sustaining work in fields, factories and mines, and be as much a part of the great patriotic forces of nation as men under fire. I take the liberty, therefore, of addressing this word to farmers: The supreme need of our nation and the nations with whom we are co-operating is abundant supplies, especially of food stuffs. The importance of the latter this year is superlative. Without

abundant food, alike for the armies and peoples now at war, the whole great enterprise on which we embarked would fall down. The world's food reserves are low. Not only during the present emergency but for some time after peace is declared both our people and a large proportion of the people of Europe, must rely on the American harvest, upon the farmers of America. Therefore, in large measure rests the fate of the war and the fate of nations. May not the nation count on them to omit no step to increase the production of the land or to bring about the most effectual co-operation in the sale and distribution of the products. Time is short. It is of most imperative importance that everything possible be done immediately to make sure of a large harvest. I call upon young men and old men alike and able-bodied boys to accept and act upon this duty—to turn in hosts to the farms and make certain that no pains and no labour will be lacking in this great matter. I particularly appeal to the farmers of the South to plant abundant food stuffs, besides cotton. They can show their patriotism in no better or more convincing way than by resisting the great temptation of the present price of cotton and helping upon a great scale to feed the nation and the peoples everywhere who are fighting for their own and our liberties. The variety of their crops will be a visible measure of their comprehension of their national duty. The Government of the United States and the Governments of the several States stand ready to co-operate and do everything possible to assist the farmers in securing an adequate supply of seed, an adequate force of labourers at harvest-time and the means of expediting shipments of fertilisers and farm machinery besides the crops themselves. The course of trade shall be as unhampered as possible and there shall be no unwarranted manipulation of the nation's food supply by those who handle it on its way to the consumer.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY.

This is our opportunity to demonstrate the efficiency of a great democracy and we shall not fall short of it. This let me say to the middlemen of every sort, whether they are handling our food stuffs, raw materials, or the manufactures or products of our mills factories—the eyes of the country will be especially upon you; this is your opportunity for signal service, efficient and disinterested. The country expects you, as it expects all others, to forgo unusual profits, to organise and expedite the shipment of supplies of every kind, but especially food, with an eye to the service you are rendering, and in the spirit of those who enlist in the ranks for their people, not for themselves. I shall confidently expect you to deserve and win the confidence of the people of every sort and station. To the men who run the railways of the country, whether they be managers or employees, let me say the railways are the arteries of the nation's life, and upon them rests the immense responsibility for seeing that these arteries suffer no obstruction of any kind, and no inefficiency of slackened power.

To the merchant let me suggest the motto "small profits and quick service," and to shipbuilders the thought that the life of the war depends upon him. Food and war supplies must be carried overseas, no matter how many ships are sunk. The places of those sunk must be supplied immediately. To the miner, let me say that he stands where the farmer does. The work of the world waits on him; if he slackens and fails, armies and statesmen are helpless. He is also enlisted in the great service. The army manufacturer need not be told, I hope. The nation looks to him to speed and perfect every process. I want only to remind his employees that their service is absolutely indispensable and is counted on by every man loving his country and its liberties. Let me suggest also that everyone who creates and cultivates a garden helps greatly to solve the problem of feeding the nation, and every housewife who practises strict economy puts herself in the ranks with those serving the nation. This is the time for America to correct her reprehensible waste of waste and extravagance. Let every

man and every woman assume the careful and provident use of expenditure as a public duty, as a dictate of patriotism which none can now expect ever to be excused or forgiven for ignoring.

In the hope that this statement of the needs of the nation and of the world in the hour of supreme crisis may stimulate those to whom it comes and remind all who need a reminder of their solemn duties in a time such as the world has never seen before, I beg all editors and publishers everywhere to give as prominent publication and as wide circulation as possible to this appeal. I venture to suggest also to all advertising agencies that they would perhaps render very substantial and timely service to the country if they would give it wide-spread repetition, and that clergymen will not think it an unworthy or inappropriate subject to commend upon their pulpits. The supreme test of the nation has come. We must all speak, act and serve together.

TURKEY INTERNS AN AMERICAN GUARDSHIP.

AMSTERDAM, April 16.

A telegram from Constantinople reports that the American guardship, *Scorpion*, was ordered to leave the harbour within 24 hours and, as it failed to do so, was interned.

THE GERMANISATION OF SOUTHERN BRAZIL.

ITS SOLUTION.

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 16.

M. Barbosa, who is the popular candidate for the portfolio of Minister of Foreign Affairs, which is at present held by M. Meuller, made a stirring speech to a most enthusiastic crowd of 50,000 people from the offices of the *Jornal do Commercio*. He declared that war with Germany is inevitable in order to solve the problem of the Germanisation of Southern Brazil.

THE NEUTRALITY OF CHILE.

AMSTERDAM, April 16. The Chilean Minister at Vienna has announced that Chile will remain neutral.

MESOPOTAMIA.

GENERAL MAUDE CONTINUES TO DRIVE BACK THE TURKS.

LONDON, April 16. An official report states that General Maude continued to drive back the Turks on the 15th inst. and took 80 prisoners.

It was reported on the 15th that the Turks were again in the Jebel Hamrin Hills from which they started on the 9th inst.

The Turkish 13th Army Corps suffered severe losses, 315 dead being counted on the battlefield on the 11th inst.

ARREST OF GENERAL KUROPATKIN.

PETROGRAD, April 16. General Kuropatkin, the Governor-General of Turkestan, and four other Generals have been arrested at Tashkent by order of the local branch of the Council of Workmen and Soldiers' Delegates, on a charge of provocatively distributing arms to Russians for defence in the event of an attack by the natives.

General Kuropatkin has telegraphed to the Premier asking for a command in the Grenadier Corps at the front.

GENERAL SMUTS AND LIBERTY.

LONDON, April 16. Following Sir R. L. Borden, General Smuts, in a speech at Edinburgh, referred to the solidarity of the Union of South Africa. He declared that he was fighting to-day for the same cause for which he fought against Great Britain fifteen years ago, namely for freedom and liberty. The wise British counsels in the treatment of the South African political situation, since the Boer War were now seen from the fact that her former enemies are fighting for the common cause with the United Kingdom. That result had been brought about by a revision of the old ideal of liberty which had been the guiding principle of British history. General Smuts proceeded to point out that the issue was whether or not the nations were going to be torn apart by German militarism. He welcomed President Wilson's message to Congress. The United States action would have an enormous moral effect and would have greater than in Germany.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

BRITISH PROGRESS.

HEAVY GERMAN LOSSES.

LONDON, April 15.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—As the result of the fighting to the north-west of St. Quentin we gained ground eastward and northward of Gisors. We also progressed in the neighbourhood of Hainin Court Wood and eastward of Lievin, approaching the outskirts of Lens.

Later particulars show that the German losses in the attack on the Bapaume-Cambrai Road were heavier than at first reported. The attack was pressed with great determination under our heavy fire. We took 300 prisoners and 1,500 were found dead.

Our aeroplanes carried out successful bombing raids. In severe air fighting we destroyed four German aeroplanes and drove down eleven others. Ten of ours are missing.

A CLEVER MODEL.

HELPS IN VICTORY.

LONDON, April 15.

Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters emphasises the important bearing the capture of Vimy Ridge is likely to have on subsequent operations in the west.

He states on unimpeachable authority that the victory is directly associated with a pretty little model. This, on a wonderful scale, is a reproduction in plasticine of the neighbourhood of the ridge, on which a clever artist, furnished with a mass of aerial photographs and information by local inhabitants worked for months prior to the attack, and from which staff officers most carefully instructed Canadian and British officers and non-commissioned officers selected for the assault.

The correspondent describes as amazing the topographical fidelity of the model which was carried out in colours to the finest detail, such as the varying soil formation of the trench systems, the situation of mine craters, wire entanglements and belts.

ACTIVITY ON BELGIAN FRONT.

LONDON, April 15.

A Belgian official message transmitted by wireless, says:—

During the night, after a violent artillery preparation, we penetrated at Dixmude into the second enemy line.

The artillery duel is most lively on the whole Belgian front to-day.

VIOLENT ARTILLERY ACTIONS ON FRENCH FRONT.

LONDON, April 15.

A French communiqué states:—There have been violent artillery actions at St. Quentin, north of the Aisne, and in Champagne. Our batteries caught and dispersed enemy elements north of Iancourt.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S APPEAL TO U.S. CITIZENS.

WASHINGTON, April 25. In a personal appeal to his fellow citizens President Wilson calls upon every American citizen, man, woman and child, to join in the preservation of the nation's ideals for the triumph of democracy in the world. The supreme test of the nation had come and all must act together.

President Wilson has created a Committee of Public Information, composed of Mr. Lansing, Mr. Baker, and Mr. Daniels, with Mr. Creel, the magazine writer, as chairman, for the purpose of arranging the supply of news to the public consistent with military considerations.

SEQUEL TO A PACIFIST MEETING IN LONDON.

LONDON, April 16.

A peace meeting in the East End was wrecked. Flags were torn up by the indignant crowds and two pacifists were hurled over the railings.

The proceedings concluded with a meeting in aid of discharged soldiers, a large sum being realised.

DISSATISFACTION IN KRUPP'S WORKS.

COPENHAGEN, April 16.

The workmen and officials of Krupp's works at Kiel have demanded an immediate increase in the food allowance and in wages of 33 1/2 per cent, apart from a war bonus. The Directors addressed the men declaring that they were only drawing the same allowances as the meanest labourers. The men were incredulous and demanded to inspect their leaders, but the demand was refused.

COPENHAGEN THREATENED WITH COAL FAMINE.

COPENHAGEN, April 16.

This city is threatened with a coal famine. It is expected that the theatres will close on May 1.

URUGUAY'S SUPPORT.

MONTE VIDEO, April 15.

The Government of Uruguay has conveyed its sympathy and moral support to the United States on its declaration of war.

DANISH SURVIVORS LAND.

CHRISTIANIA, April 15. Survivors have landed of two torpedoed Danish vessels, which were officially reported sunk outside the German danger zone.

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GERMAN LEGATION ATTACKED IN ARGENTINE.

BUENOS AIRES, April 15. The anti-German demonstrations continue. The crowd attacked the German legation, consulate, and the offices of the journals.

The Government is concentrating German vessels in Argentine waters in Buenos Aires harbour.

THE HINDENBURG LINE.

"IN HAIG'S CAGES"

LONDON, April 15. The military correspondent of the "Times" says an entirely well-planned and well fought battle has resulted in one of the most satisfactory victories of the war. The Germans are as thick as peas in France, there being thirty divisions on the British front alone, but the gun and howitzer have beaten the trench. So long as our artillery superiority is maintained the entrenched Germans must be regarded as lost souls.

The correspondent pays a tribute to the splendid work of all arms and agrees with the protestations of the Germans that the Hindenburg line is intact—but it is largely in General Haig's cages.

SPAIN'S POSITION.

MADRID, April 16. The journal *Liberal* in a strong article says: "Spain finds herself at the gravest moment of her history. If neutrality is broken it will be against Germany for Germany is humiliating us and treating the flag like a rag. This Spain cannot tolerate without morally committing suicide."

THE OCCUPATION OF LENS.

REPORT EXPLAINED.

LONDON, April 15. The report of the actual occupation of Lens is explainable by the fact that Lens itself is merely the centre of a circle of mining towns and villages forming a vast agglomeration of houses. The boundaries are no more clearly marked than those of London boroughs. Anyhow the correspondents are able to look down the main street of Lens where the German rear-guards are playing "merry little ball" destroying everything. Twenty thousand grenades were dumped in one mine shaft.

THE RUSSIAN COMMAND.

PETROGRAD, April 16. General Alexieff has been definitely appointed Commander-in-Chief.

THE DELEGATES AT EDINBURGH.

H. H. THE MAHARAJA OF BIKANER'S SPEECH.

EDINBURGH, April 15. His Highness the Maharaja of Bikaner, following Sir R. L. Borden and General Smuts, was greeted with loud cheers. He referred to the great part Scotsmen had played in the East and other parts of our Dominions, and said: "All countries of the Empire are of one mind in the resolve to prosecute the war with all the energy and determination at their command for the freedom of the world, the right of nations to live their own lives, and for the overthrow of militarism and aggression (Cheers). His Highness took the opportunity of acknowledging the patient handling of imperial problems by the Prime Minister and the Ministers from Overseas. Whatever political or economic decisions might be arrived at by the present Imperial gathering, he was convinced that one result would be the permanent strengthening of the binding the various parts of the Empire together, strong and enduring as they have already proved themselves to be during the past three years—(Cheers)."

KAISER NOT TRUSTED.

AMSTERDAM, April 16. Herr Harden, writing in the *Zukunft*, expresses distrust of the Kaiser's promised constitutional reforms and declares that it is unnecessary, anyhow, to postpone the proposals until after the war.

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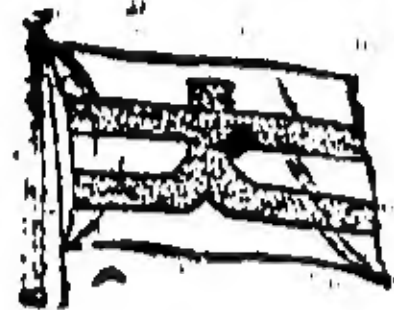
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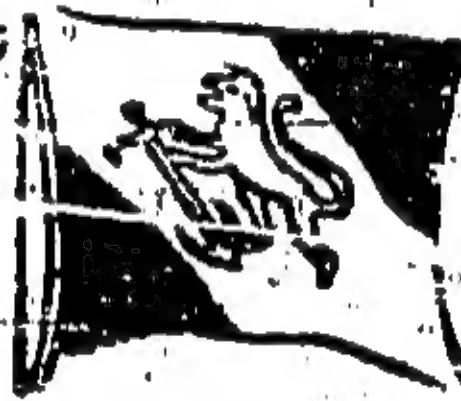
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SHANGHAI	YINGCHOW	April 22, Daylight.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TAMING	April 24, at Noon.
WIENTSIN	WIENTSIN	April 26, at Noon.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	CHOYSAUNG	WEDNESDAY, April 18, Daylight
MANILA	LOONGSANG	SATURDAY, April 21, at 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG	TAKSANG	SUNDAY, April 22, at 7 a.m.
MANILA	TAISANG	SATURDAY, April 24, at 3 p.m.

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These steamers have excellent passenger accommodation, are fitted with

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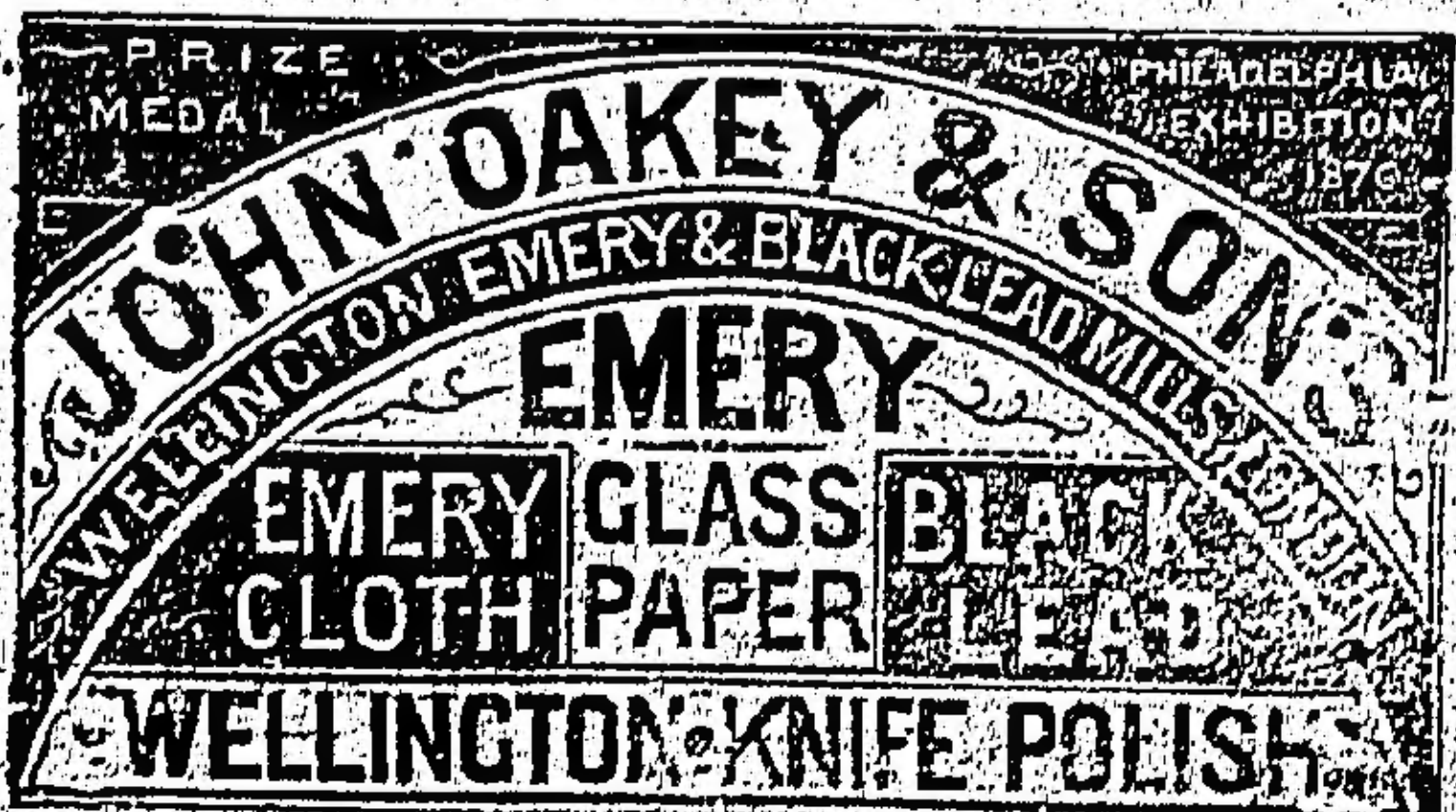
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AND RETURN.

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STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
HAITAN	Capt. A. E. Hodgins	FRIDAY, 20th April at 12 Noon.
HAIPHONG	Capt. J. W. Evans	TUESDAY, 24th April at 12 Noon.

SWATOW

Arrivals and Departures from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

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General Managers.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.THE Steamship
"GREGORY APCAR,"having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by
her are notified that all Goods are being
landed at their risk into the Godowns
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Co., Ltd. whence and/or from
the wharves delivery may be obtained.Goods not cleared by 21st instant
will be subject to rent.All broken, chafed and damaged pack-
ages are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined by Messrs.
Goddard and Douglas on 20th instant,
at 10 a.m.Claims against the Steamer must be
presented in writing within 10 days
after arrival of Steamer, otherwise they
will not be recognized.No Fire Insurance will be effected by
the undersigned in any case whatever.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned byDAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.
Agents.
Hongkong, April 14, 1917. 1681

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM PENANG AND SINGAPORE

THE Steamship
"JACOB"having arrived from the above ports,
consignees of cargo by her are notified
that all goods are being landed at their
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hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.,
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YACHTING.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The results of the fifth of the series of Club Championship Races for Cruisers of Chinese and English Rig which was sailed on Saturday last were as follows:—
Course:—North Fairway Buoy (S), Stonecutters Island (S), Distance 8 miles.
Starting Line, Murray Pier and Outer Naval Buoy, Finishing Line, Club House, North Point.

Yacht	Course	Time	Time
Miranda	Scratch	4:31:43	4:31:43
Genoa	1	4:34:13	4:34:13
Brooklyn	2	4:37:10	4:37:10
Seabreeze	3	4:40:10	4:40:10
Lady Godiva	4	4:43:10	4:43:10
Position	Pla for race	Pla to date	
(1) Miranda	6	6	
(2) Brooklyn	5	5	
(3) Seabreeze	4	4	
(4) Genoa	3	3	
(5) Lady Godiva	2	2	

Winner of Championship.

Yacht	Course	Time	Time
Yacht	Scratch	4:48:55	4:48:55
Yacht	1	4:51:10	4:51:10
Yacht	2	4:53:25	4:53:25
Yacht	3	4:55:40	4:55:40
Yacht	4	4:57:55	4:57:55
Yacht	5	5:00:10	5:00:10
Yacht	6	5:02:25	5:02:25
Yacht	7	5:04:40	5:04:40
Yacht	8	5:06:55	5:06:55
Yacht	9	5:09:10	5:09:10
Yacht	10	5:11:25	5:11:25
Yacht	11	5:13:40	5:13:40
Yacht	12	5:15:55	5:15:55
Yacht	13	5:18:10	5:18:10
Yacht	14	5:20:25	5:20:25
Yacht	15	5:22:40	5:22:40
Yacht	16	5:24:55	5:24:55
Yacht	17	5:27:10	5:27:10
Yacht	18	5:29:25	5:29:25
Yacht	19	5:31:40	5:31:40
Yacht	20	5:33:55	5:33:55
Yacht	21	5:36:10	5:36:10
Yacht	22	5:38:25	5:38:25
Yacht	23	5:40:40	5:40:40
Yacht	24	5:42:55	5:42:55
Yacht	25	5:45:10	5:45:10
Yacht	26	5:47:25	5:47:25
Yacht	27	5:49:40	5:49:40
Yacht	28	5:51:55	5:51:55
Yacht	29	5:54:10	5:54:10
Yacht	30	5:56:25	5:56:25
Yacht	31	5:58:40	5:58:40
Yacht	32	6:00:55	6:00:55
Yacht	33	6:03:10	6:03:10
Yacht	34	6:05:25	6:05:25
Yacht	35	6:07:40	6:07:40
Yacht	36	6:09:55	6:09:55
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Yacht	38	6:14:25	6:14:25
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Yacht	42	6:23:25	6:23:25
Yacht	43	6:25:40	6:25:40
Yacht	44	6:27:55	6:27:55
Yacht	45	6:30:10	6:30:10
Yacht	46	6:32:25	6:32:25
Yacht	47	6:34:40	6:34:40
Yacht	48	6:36:55	6:36:55
Yacht	49	6:39:10	6:39:10
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Yacht	89	8:09:10	8:09:10
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Yacht	91	8:13:40	8:13:40
Yacht	92	8:15:55	8:15:55
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Yacht	94	8:20:25	8:20:25
Yacht	95	8:22:40	8:22:40
Yacht	96	8:24:55	8:24:55
Yacht	97	8:27:10	8:27:10
Yacht	98	8:29:25	8:29:25
Yacht	99	8:31:40	8:31:40
Yacht	100	8:33:55	8:33:55

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HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

PARADES CENTRAL, 5.30 P.M.

Wednesday, April 18.—Recruits of No. 3 Company and of No. 2 Platoon.

Friday, April 20.—Recruits of No. 2 Company.

EXERCISES.

Cleaning gear must be drawn from

Armoury by all marks not in possession

of same on Friday, April 20th, between

5.15 and 6.30 p.m.

Members of No. 1 Company will also

draw their rifles from Armoury on the

above date and between the same hours.

Police School.

Wednesday, April 18th, at 6 p.m.—

Platoon Commanders and all Sergeants

of No. 2 Company.

Thursday, April 19th, at 5.30 p.m.—

Platoon Commanders and all Sergeants

of Nos. 1 and 2 Companies.

BAND AND ORCHESTRA.

Wednesday, April 18th.—Band Practice.

Thursday, April 19th.—Orchestra Practice.

JOINED.

No. 2 Company—P. O. 487 Place.

(Sgt.) F. C. JENKIN.

D.S.P. (R.).

OFFICIAL NIGHTS IN APRIL.

The following table shows the Stand

dard Time at which Official Night ends

and begins during the month of April,

1917.

Date. Ends. Begins.

April 17th, 5.51 a.m. 6.54 p.m.

" 18th, 5.50 " 6.53 "

" 19th, 5.49 " 6.52 "

" 20th, 5.48 " 6.51 "

" 21st, 5.47 " 6.50 "

" 22nd, 5.46 " 6.49 "

" 23rd, 5.45 " 6.48 "

" 24th, 5.44 " 6.47 "

" 25th, 5.43 " 6.46 "

" 26th, 5.42 " 6.45 "